

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 53

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 56

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 53—Relative to Make-A-Wish Day celebrating Destination Joy.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 53, Walters. Make-A-Wish Day celebrating Destination Joy.

This bill would declare the Legislature's support for designating Tuesday, June 5, 2007, as Make-A-Wish Day celebrating Destination Joy in the state, and would encourage the state's residents and organizations to recognize the many contributions of the Make-A-Wish Foundation in supporting the care and well-being of children with life-threatening illnesses.

WHEREAS, On June 5, 2007, the Make-a-Wish Foundation is launching a nationwide awareness campaign, known as Destination Joy, which is intended to help people realize that they have the power to grant a wish to a critically ill child; and

WHEREAS, The Destination Joy campaign urges all individuals and organizations in California to join the campaign and contribute their time, energy, and resource to the Make-A-Wish Foundation to ensure the success of the campaign, and make wishes come true for children in need; and

WHEREAS, In California alone, Make-A-Wish chapters were able to provide over 1,450 wishes to critically ill children in 2006, and, as part of a nationwide organization of 69 chapters throughout the United States, the Make-A-Wish Foundation has provided over 148,000 wishes to ill children since its inception in 1983, and currently provides over 12,600 wishes annually; and

WHEREAS, The Make-A-Wish Foundation grants the wishes of children with life threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength, and joy; and

WHEREAS, The designation of Make-A-Wish Day Celebrating Destination Joy on June 5, 2007, will provide much needed awareness of the charitable works of the Make-A-Wish Foundation in granting wishes to critically ill children; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby declares that Tuesday, June 5, 2007, shall be designated as Make-A-Wish Day celebrating Destination Joy, and encourages the state's residents and organizations to recognize the many contributions of the Make-A-Wish Foundation in supporting the care and well-being of children with life-threatening illnesses; and be further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.